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METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF PISTONS HAVING

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Honorable Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the First Office Action dated March 21, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 7 of this paper.